REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA AND RECORD OF ACTION

February 25, 2003

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FROM: KEN A. MILLER, Director

Department of Public Works - Flood Control

SUBJECT: FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT ZONES 3, 4, 5 AND 6, INSECT CONTROL

AGREEMENT WITH THE CALIFORNIA STATE DEPARTMENT OF

FORESTRY

RECOMMENDATION: Acting as the governing body of the Flood Control District (District), approve Insect Control Agreement with the State of California Department of Forestry in the amount of \$239,306 for FY 2001/02 for work related to the San Bernardino and Wrightwood zones of insect infestation.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: Since the early 1960's, the District has annually entered into an agreement with the State Department of Forestry for the control of forest insect infestation damaging or threatening destruction of timber or forest growth. Section 4712-4718 of the California Public Resources Code authorizes the State to enter into cooperative agreements with public agencies in order to accomplish this purpose. These agreements have included work in mountain areas of Zones 3, 4, 5 and 6, which are within the San Bernardino and Wrightwood Zones of Insect Infestation as declared and named by the State Department of Forestry. Under the proposed agreement, the District and State financial contributions are delineated. The District's participation is generally through financial commitment. The physical work under the program is directed by the State and performed by regular State fire control crews, Forestry Conservation camp crews, or by contract to responsible parties. This proposed contract is for work occurring in FY 2001/02. The contract has been prepared by the State and they are the lead agency. Their delay in the preparation of this contract has prevented the District from bringing this item to the Board earlier.

REVIEW BY OTHERS: This item was reviewed by Deputy County Counsel Charles S. Scolastico on February 5, 2003 and by the County Administrative Office (Tom Forster, Administrative Analyst) on February 13, 2003. Program and budgetary expenditures were recommended by the Citizens Advisory Committees for Zones 3, 4, 5 and 6.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: This agreement provides for a total expenditure of \$239,306 of which \$119,653 will be derived from the District and \$119,653 from the State with distribution by the District as follows: Zone 3, \$5,730; Zone 4, \$22,735; Zone 5, \$62,219; and Zone 6, \$28,969. Funds are available in 2002/2003 Flood Control budget.

COST REDUCTION REVIEW: The County Administrative Office has reviewed this agenda item and concurs with the Department's proposal and recommends this action, based on that there is no financial impact to the County General Fund. The cost related to this action shall be funded by the District.

SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT(S): 1st, 2rd, 3rd, 5th Record of Action of the Board of Supervisors

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